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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Pursuant to Applicant's duty to disclose all relevant material, Applicant hereby submits the following which is believed to be material to patentability, as defined by 37 CFR 1.56.

PTO Form SB/08A which lists prior art patents cited by the Examiner in an earlier filed application to which the captioned application claims priority. Priority is claimed from pending U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/798,175, filed March 2, 2001.

Copies of the patents cited in the prior application are **not** enclosed herewith as 1) the above captioned patent application claims priority from U.S. patent application serial number 09/798,175, filed March 2, 2001, and 2) the references identified above were cited in the pending application which is relied upon for an earlier effective filing date.

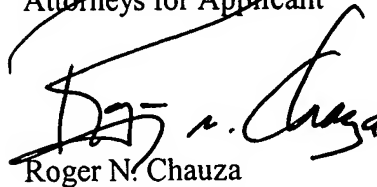
Applicant requests that the information disclosure statement be considered and that a

copy of the Form SB/08A be returned to the undersigned indicating the consideration by the Examiner of each reference listed.

Respectfully submitted,

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